

SPORTSFIRE (UNIT USE) RANGE FIRING ORDERS

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1. DESCRIPTION: Sportsfire Range is a 15 point range, with target holders at varying distances. The range also has a latrine, covered firing line, and a target storage building.

2. WEAPONS AUTHORIZED: M16A1/M16A2 Rifle/M14, M-4 Carbine, Shotgun and M9 pistol.

3. AMMUNITION AUTHORIZED: 5.56mm Ball, 7.62 Ball, Shotgun and 9mm Ball.

4. MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS: A medical aidman is not required. Unit commanders may place assigned medical personnel on the range.

5. EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS:

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| a. USARAK Regulation 350-1 | Issued by Range Control. |
| b. Range Firing Orders | Issued by Range Control. |
| c. Range Flag | Issued by Range Control. |
| d. FM 23-9, M16, FM 23-8, M14 | Furnished by Using Unit. |
| e. FM Radio/ALMR (backup recommended) | Furnished by Using Unit. |
| f. Hearing Protection for each soldier | Furnished by Using Unit. |
| g. Red and White Safety Paddles | Located in the Range Tower. |
| h. Public address system | Issued by Range Control. |

6. PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS:

- a. Officer-in-Charge, OIC (SSG or above).
- b. Range Safety Officer, RSO (SGT or above).
- c. Safety NCO's on line (number determined by OIC/RSO based on troops to be trained; recommend one per four active firing positions).
- d. Ammunition Guard.
- e. Radio Telephone Operator (RTO).
- f. Air Guard Spotter.

7. PERSONNEL RESPONSIBILITIES:

- a. Officer-in-Charge duties are outlined in Annex A of the Firing Orders.
- b. Range Safety Officer duties are outlined in Annex B of the Firing Orders.
- c. Safety NCO's must control personnel on or near the firing line and ensure no unsafe acts occur.
- d. The ammunition guard will monitor the issue and turn-in of all ammunition on the range. The OIC must ensure that unauthorized persons do not take ammunition from the range.
- e. The OIC and RSO must both be present on the range during firing. If an administrative check fire is called for the absence of the OIC or RSO, or for any other reason, Range Control must be informed. The RSO must be on and monitor the activity on the firing line when the range is in a "Hot" status.
- f. The RTO must monitor the net (FM 38:30) at all times, responding to communication checks and passing information to the OIC / RSO.
- g. The Air Guard Spotter will be located in such a way that the individual can observe airspace and call the unit to a check fire upon the approach of all aircraft.

8. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS: Equipment receipts from Range Control must be returned following the completion of training.

9. RANGE FIRES: No open fires are authorized on the range. If a fire is discovered in the vicinity of the range, the OIC must check-fire, notify Range Operations, and dispatch troops to extinguish the fire.

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10. POLICE OF THE RANGE: Police of the range is the responsibility of the using unit. The entire range area, to include the buildings, foxholes, and downrange to the berm, will be policed prior to clearance by Range Control. Trash bags or cans must be provided and removed by the using unit.

NOTE: If firing is completed during the hours of darkness, police can be accomplished at first light of the following duty day.

11. RESTRICTIONS:

- a. Cross-lane firing is not authorized.
- b. Tracers are not authorized for firing on Sportsfire Range.



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